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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Yoshitaka Tsunashima et al.) Group Art Unit: 2814
Application No.: 09/688,989) Examiner: S. Rao
Filed: October 17, 2000)
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING)
THE SAME)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In reply to the Office Action dated June 6, 2002, Applicant respectfully request reconsideration of the subject application for the following reasons.

REMARKS

Claims 27, 28, and 30-33 are pending. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 27, 28, 30 and 32 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way to enable one skilled in the art to make and/or use the invention; rejected claims 27, 28, and 30-33 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite; and rejected claims 27, 28, and 30-33 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Kume et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,188,976, hereinafter "Kume") and Tada (U.S. Patent No. 5,497,021).

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